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Senator Margaret Rotundo, Chair Representative Joseph C. Brannigan, Chair Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs 5 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0115

Dear Senator Rotundo, Representative Brannigan, and Members of the Committee:

We are pleased to submit for the Committee's review the Department of Health and Human Services annual financial report as required under 34-B, MRSA Section 1208, subsection 5. The report includes community-based agencies that have contracted with the Department to provide services in fiscal year 2005.

In preparing this report, we attempt to format the information in such a way as to make the information as meaningful as possible. The funding for community-based services is identified by program area, by category of service, and by Region.

We hope that this report will serve as a useful reference tool as we jointly determine future funding priorities.

Sincerely,

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